

Girl Scout Bronze Award



Information and Final Report

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Going for the Bronze Award!

The Girl Scout Bronze Award is the highest award a Junior Girl Scout can earn. It shows you have made a promise to help others, improve you community and world, and become the best you can be.

There are four requirements to earning the Bronze Award. The first three steps help girls discover new skills and talents, in addition to increasing their leadership skills. The final step uses all of the skills, talents and leadership abilities to help carry out the Bronze Award Project. **The first three steps may be finished in any order, but *must* be completed before you work on the fourth and final step, the Bronze Award Project.**

All paperwork must be submitted and completed by end of your last membership year of Juniors. Final Reports need to be submitted to the Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains, in order to receive the Bronze Award. Leaders are responsible for purchasing the Girl Scout Bronze Award Pin from the Council store. The Program Department will provide a Girl Scout Bronze Award Certificate at the completion of the project for each recipient. It is encouraged to present the Girl Scout Bronze Award Pin at a community event, in order to spotlight the girls for their achievement.

Some projects do require funds in order to carry out the project. Girls can participate in Money Earning activities to help fund their project. A Group Money-Earning Permission forms needs to filled out and submitted for approval to your Regional Membership staff. Money earning projects need to provide a product or a service: Selling homemade gifts, yard sales, or babysitting nights are some ideas. Games of chance or home demonstration sales are not appropriate.

Bronze Award forms maybe found:

1. By downloading from our website www.girlscoutsgwm.org
2. Calling for a packet at 888-474-9686

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STEP 1:

- Read all the information about the Girl Scout Bronze Award in the Junior Handbook and/or participate in a Girl Scout Bronze Award workshop
- Meet with an advisor or leader to discuss your project ideas
- Make an agreement with your adult advisor
- Begin to think about your project:
 1. It should be based on your interests
 2. It should truly fit your individual talents and abilities
 3. it should serve a community need
 4. it should be your 'idea'
 5. you may work with others, but each member needs to complete 15 separate hours and your part of the project should be able to stand alone

STEP 2:

- Earn two badges that are related to the project

STEP 3:

- Complete one of the Girl Scout Signs

STEP 4:

- Earn the Junior Aide Patch
or
- The Junior Girl Scout Leadership Award
or
- Two of these badges: "Girl Scouting in the USA," Girl Scouting Around the World," "Girl Scouting in My Future," and "Lead On."

STEP 5:

- Plan It
- Choose It
- Map It

Do It! The project should: take a minimum of 15 hours.

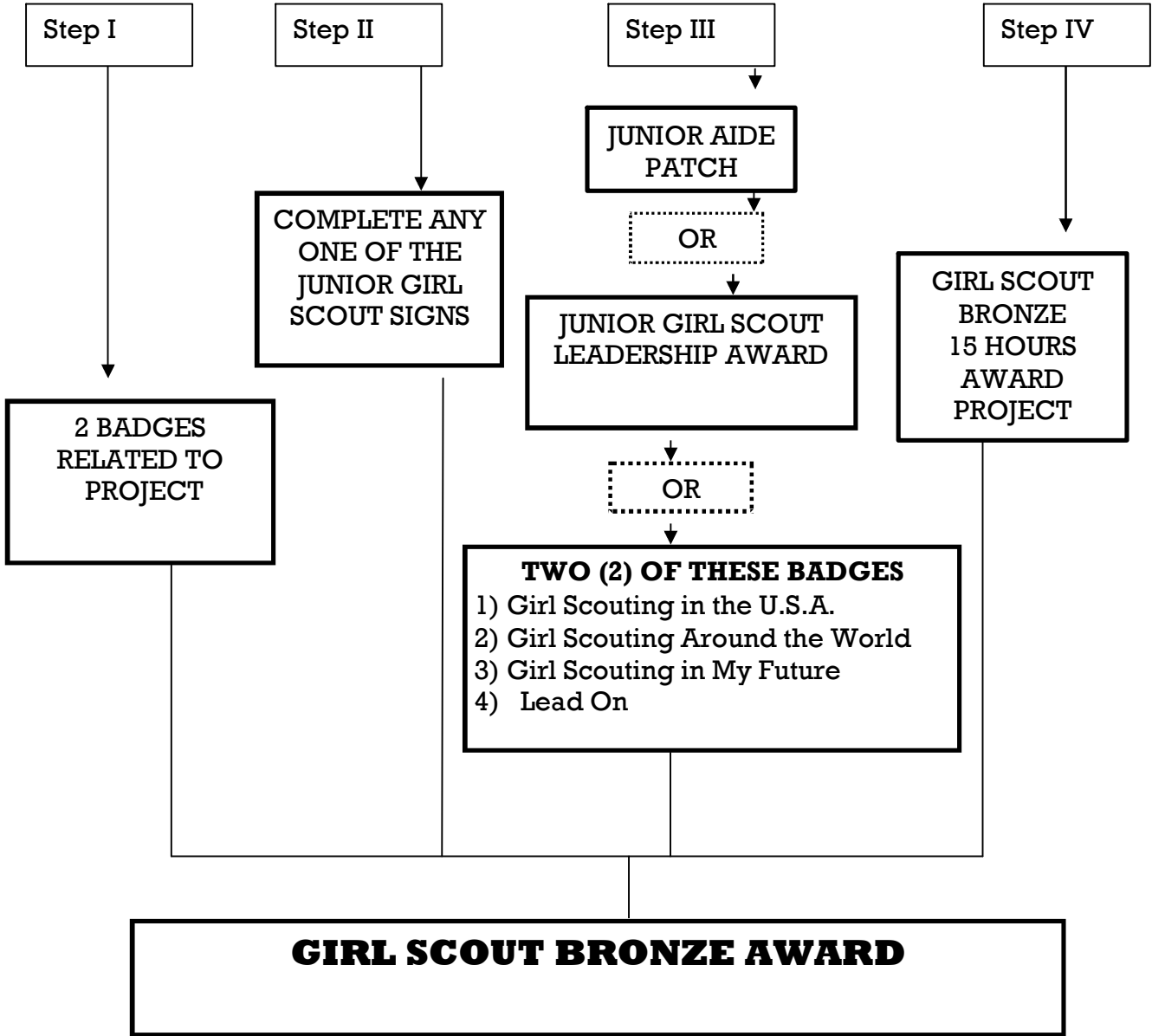
When planning your Bronze award project keep these things in mind:

- The Bronze Award project needs to provide a **NEW** and **NEEDED** service. Service can be done in or outside of Girl Scouting and should be something that the girls haven't done before.
- Show that you understand and live by the Girl Scout Promise & Law.
- The project **MUST** be 100% planned and carried out by the girl.
- The project should take a **minimum** of fifteen hours to complete.
- If the project is done by a group, each individual needs to complete fifteen hours. Group projects must be able to stand alone so that if one member of the group decides not to complete their part, the project can still be completed without significantly increasing the workload of the other group members.
- Follow all safety guidelines in Safety-Wise.

STEP 6:

- Fill out the Girl Scout Bronze Award Final Report Form
- Turn into your advisor for approval and signature
- Turn into Jessica Riendeau
- Once your form is turned in and reviewed, your advisor may purchase the Girl Scout Bronze Award Pin and a certificate and letter will be sent to you.

BRONZE AWARD BLUEPRINT



What should I do?

So you want to earn your Bronze Award, but you don't know what to do? Use this form to help brainstorm some possibilities. Answer all the questions below. Then look at the answers to the questions and compare what you have in common.

Things you like to do:

Things that interest you:

Things you want to learn about:

Girl Scout or Community need:

Where do you see your project going?

Inspiration Corner

Need inspiration? Here are some sample projects to get you thinking.

- Clean up a polluted stream for wildlife
- Create a "science nook" at a school
- Host a walker "pit stop" for an extended breast cancer walk
- Make puppet boxes to accompany stories for Daisy and Brownie Girl Scouts
- Plan and coordinate a math day for younger girls
- Put on a bicycle safety fair in your community
- Start a sustainable recycling program at school
- Write and perform a puppet play to teach children safety tips they can use when not in school.

Bronze Award Checklist

Choose your Bronze Award Project

Complete the three requirements that **must** be done prior to starting your project

- Complete two badges that related to your project.
- Complete one of the Girl Scouts signs
- Earn the Junior Aide Patch **or**
- the Junior Girl Scout Leadership Award **or**
- two of the following badges: Girl Scouting in the USA, Girl Scouting Around the World, Girl Scouting in My Future or Lead on.

Plan your Bronze Award Project

Complete the Time Log as you are working towards the Bronze Award Project

Complete Expense Sheet

Review Safety-Wise

If you are working with others, follow up with them on their progress

Touch base with your advisor/leader(s)

Send out Media Release about your project (see pg. 8)

Spend at least fifteen hours planning and executing your project, seven to eight hours should be the actual implementation of the project.

Complete and turn in the Bronze Award Final Report Form to the Program Dept.

- Time Log
- Expense Sheet
- Description
- Photographs of Project

Send out thank you cards to everyone that help you through the process

Hello, Girl Scouts!

An important goal at Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains is to attract as much media attention as possible for all of the wonderful projects that girls in our Council undertake. We have had much success in promoting service projects, the cookie sale, camps, troop trips, and more. In order for us to continue our successful media streak, I need your help. If we all work together to get girls the recognition they deserve for the terrific things they are doing in Girl Scouts, the entire council will benefit.

I've found that girls and volunteers who call a reporter or walk a press release into their local newspaper offices get excellent results, just call first to make sure he or she is not on deadline. Whether you are working on your Girl Scout Bronze, Silver or Gold Award, completing the requirements for LIT, working with younger troops, or traveling the world on a *destination*—you have a great story to tell!

Don't be afraid to share your story with local media. You know the details of your Girl Scout experiences better than anyone; therefore you are the best person to promote them.

I am happy to help you do that. In order for me to help you out, I need you to call me when you are ready to approach the media. Together, we can figure out how to pitch the story. Keep in mind—reporters would rather write a story that really captures the essence of what you are doing than attend a ceremony that honors you for something you have already done. And ask any women you talk to if they were Girl Scouts. That could open up a wealth of possibilities.

Your assistance in promoting your project is crucial—not only to get you the recognition you deserve, but to educate the public about all of the great things Girl Scouts are doing.

Best wishes,

Public Relations Manager

Junior Girl Scout Bronze Award Report Form

One form per girl. **Leaders** are not to fill in information. This must be done by the **Girl** only. Please type or **print clearly** in black ink. Make a copy for your advisor and yourself. Incomplete forms will be returned. Forms must be submitted by **September 30th**, of the beginning of 7th grade or once project is completed.

Part I: Personal Data

Name: _____ Phone #: _____
 (As will **appear** on Certificate)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Age: ____ Grade: ____ Name of School: _____ Troop/Group Number: _____

Name of Council: _____

Name of Leader: _____ Phone #: _____

Advisor and /or Consultant: _____ Phone #: _____

Part II: Requirements 1 through 3

1. Junior Girl Scout Badges Earned	Dated Completed	Leader/Advisor Signature

2. Girl Scout Sign	Dated Completed	Leader/Advisor Signature

3. Completed One of the Leadership Requirements	Dated Completed	Leader/Advisor Signature
A. Junior Aide Patch		
B. Junior Leadership Award		
C. Two of the following:		
Girl Scouting in the USA		
Girl Scouting Around the World		
Girl Scouting in My Future		
Lead On		

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G. If this was a group project, each girl should be responsible for a part of the project. Please list each girl and her part of the project.

- E. Time Log and Expense Sheet
- F. Personal Interview
- G. Copies of any media coverage

Girl's Signature: _____ Date: _____

I verify that (name) _____ has completed the requirements for the Bronze Award as outlined in the Junior Girl Scout Handbook and has spent a minimum of 15 hours on her Bronze Award Project.

Advisor/Leader/Consultant Signature(s): _____ Date Completed: _____
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Pretend that you are a newspaper reporter and you have just interviewed yourself about your Girl Scout Bronze Award project. Use this page to write your article and attach photos. Submit a copy to your local newspaper to highlight your project and return with final report. If you need help, please contact the Public Relations Manager at 888-474-9686.